

SECOND READING:

1 John 2:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St John
Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,
and not only ours,
but the whole world's.
We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.
But when anyone does obey what he has said,
God's love comes to perfection in him.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:
Alleluia, alleluia!

cf Luke 24:32

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Luke 24:35-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you

see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead; in his name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acts 4:8-12;
1 Jn 3:1-2;
Jn 10:11-18.



SAFEGUARDING OUR COMMUNITY.

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney please call the appropriate authorities OR The Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office on 02 9390 5812 OR **speak with our Parish Safeguarding Support Officer Helen Vaz OR Parish Priest, both of whom will be able to provide support and guidance.**

Mobile phones at Mass.

To maintain a spirit of reverence and solemnity, please turn off and refrain from using all mobile telephones and other electronic devices during Mass.



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MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6:00 pm.
SUNDAY: 8:00 am and 10.00 am.
MONDAY: 9.30am Communion Service.
TUESDAY through to SATURDAY: 9.00 am Mass.
FRIDAY: 9.00 am Mass.
Exposition & Benediction from 9.40am – 10.15am every Friday after Mass.
RECONCILIATION: Friday during Exposition and Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment.
BIBLICAL REFLECTIONS: Tuesday evening at 7.30pm at the St Therese School Hall.
Baptism: Every Sunday at 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.
Marriage: By appointment.
Anointing of the sick: Please give names to Father Simon Apablaza.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year B)
13th / 14th April 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
You have killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.

Peter said to the people 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9

RESPONSE: Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me!

Response.

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him.

Response.

'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

Response.

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Response.

13 / 14 APRIL 2024 –THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10AM
ACOLYTE	TO BE ADVISED	TO BE ADVISED	TO BE ADVISED
READER	BARBARA CLARK	PAUL TREACY	CELINE LAYOUN / MONALISA CORONA
OFFERTORY	DABBAH FAMILY		VOLUNTEER FAMILY NEEDED
PROJECTION	T MORFUNI	NIL	NA
ALTAR SERVERS	GRP 2: ZAC O'DONOGHUE, CHRISTIAN HILL & EL-AZZI FAMILY		GRP 6: SIENNA BUIST, ANNA MIRABILE, GENEVIEVE MCPHIE
WELCOMERS	ALICE CHAN & PENNY ONG		VOLUNTEER NEEDED
MUSICIANS	SHEILA LEE & JOHN KENNY & CHOIR		
COUNTERS	GROUP 1: THOMAS DABBAH QAISER DABBAH PATRICIA BRODERICK		
ALTAR FLOWERS	NONIE HAHN	APRIL ALTAR LINEN: PENNY ONG	

20 / 21 APRIL 2024 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10AM
ACOLYTE	R MORFUNI	J RAPER	A STANTON
READER	LUEN UYMATIAO / BILL KINDER	SHERRY JAYAMMANE	HELEN VAZ / HANNY WIDJAYA
OFFERTORY	DABBAH FAMILY		VOLUNTEER FAMILY
PROJECTION	A PLEADIN	NIL	B WIDJAYA
ALTAR SERVERS	GRP 3: BERNLEITNER FAMILY & FREDERICK LI		GRP 7: WIDJAYA FAMILY, ANNABELLE BOGER, LENNOX HO
WELCOMERS	ALICE CHAN & PENNY ONG		VOLUNTEER NEEDED
MUSICIANS	SHEILA LEE & JOHN KENNY & CHOIR		MARIFEL JACOBS & PAUL TREACY
COUNTERS	GROUP 2: DINAL JAYAMANNE ELIZABETH CONTERNO ANTHONY STANTON		
ALTAR FLOWERS	ANNE-MARIE NAGANATHAN	APRIL ALTAR LINEN: PENNY ONG	

APOSTLES CREED.

I believe God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into Hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

GLORIA.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PARISH NOTICES:

Mass intentions Request for Mass and Prayers.

We pray for those who have recently died and also for those who celebrate anniversaries at this time.



Baptism.

This Sunday we welcome into the faith community Elizabeth Fan. We also congratulate her parents Roland and Melanie and their respective families.



Morning tea for Daily Mass parishioners.

Fr Simon would like to invite those who regularly attend our daily Masses to a morning tea THIS Thursday, the 18th April after morning Mass.



It would be appreciated if you could bring a small plate of food to share with others.

If any of you wish to help organise and prepare for this, please speak with Fr Simon.

There will be a couple more planned morning teas throughout the year on: 11th of July and the 3rd of October.

Mass for the sick.

Fr Simon will hold a Mass for the Sick on Wednesday the 24th April at 9am.



Additionally, to help you plan ahead, we have put in the parish diary two additional Masses for the Sick later in the year. They will be held on the 17th July and the 9th October at 9am.

Hospital visits from your priest.

If you are in hospital and need a priest or want to receive Holy Communion, please call the presbytery and we will organise for Fr Simon to visit you.



We have been in discussion with the hospital authorities for many years and even though we are getting closer to be able to resume weekly visits, by Fr Simon and our Eucharistic Ministers, we are still not there yet.

So don't forget, if you are in hospital and don't let us know, then Fr Simon can't visit you.

Project Compassion.

Thank you for your generous support for Project Compassion 2024. If you still have your project compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week.



First Holy Communion at St Therese.

Parent Information Evening on Wednesday the 1st May at 7.30pm in St Therese School learning Centre. **Application forms** will be available at the Parent Information Evening.

Candidate & Parent attend Presentation Mass: Candidate with parent(s) should attend Saturday 4th May at 6pm Vigil Mass or Sunday 5th May at 8am or 10am Masses.

Parent & Candidate Sessions of Instruction: Will be held on WEDNESDAY'S the 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th May in St Therese Church commencing at 7pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REHEARSAL on Saturday 1st June at 3pm in the Church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will be on Sunday the 2nd June at 10am.

So please add all these dates to your diaries.

Parish of St Therese Pilgrimage – Graces of France and Italy.

Are you considering joining our pilgrimage to France and Italy. If so, NOW is the time to put a deposit on your seat.

It will be a wonderful trip both spiritually and friendship wise. So don't be slow and we do need to know who are the committed travellers.

Leaflets detailing the pilgrimage are available from the front foyer.

Additionally, Fr Simon is organising a meeting for all pilgrims to attend on Thursday the 2nd May in the presbytery meeting room at 7.30pm



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